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TOPICS OF THE DAY.

Beyond Hope.

A young man in New York is laughing himself to death and physicians say his case is hopeless. Even the doctors' bills did not check his hilarity.

For a Precedent.

For a precedent the Cleveland democrats can draw on the neighboring republic of Mexico. President Diaz has had the office six times.

Cortelyou's Ten-Cent Lunch.

Secretary Cortelyou, who buys a ten-cent lunch every day, may be trying to save up that \$7,000,000 for his department which congress wouldn't give him.

Remarkable Body.

The anthracite coal strike commission was an extraordinary body in more senses than one. It returned to the national treasury \$12,000 of the \$50,000 appropriated for its expenses.

Where Most of Them Go.

It is reported that over 10,000 counterfeited dimes are in circulation. You cannot be sure of the figures, however, until the church collections and street car companies are heard from.

A Pretty Pass.

It has come to a pretty pass when American newspapers feel that they have to reprove an American for crowding over the American navy. When did we become so mealy-mouthed?

Gaining in Weight.

Doo Monroe has gained greatly in weight and reach. President Roosevelt says now that the doctrine means that European nations must not seek to control South American republic at all.

Only One Man.

Only the sporting editor of the new daily paper to be started by Chicago women will be a man; and he will not be allowed to smoke a cop pipe or say anything more profane than "Oh, sugar!"

Phrasing Both Sides.

The way to christen the battleship Kansas with wine and not offend the prohibitionists is to place a bottle of the vicious fluid on the prow and let Mrs. Nation smash it with her ax.—Kansas City Journal.

Civilization's Prisoner.

One of the troubles of the sultan of Turkey is that civilization has nearly surrounded him and holds him in a state of siege. If the Turks had the Japanese genius for waking up they might be happy yet.

At Home as Well as Abroad.

Each Indian, old and young, belonging to the six nations, will shortly receive \$225 in cash out of the \$2,000,000 voted by congress to settle the Kansas land claims. Uncle Sam takes a liberal view of benevolent assimilation at home as well as abroad.

Stupendous Figures.

In view of the establishment of the department of commerce and labor, it may be interesting to note that the internal commerce of the United States last year has been estimated by the government statisticians at \$20,000,000,000. Fifty years ago it was only \$2,000,000,000. The manufactures of the United States are nearly double those of Great Britain and Ireland, and about equal to those of France, Germany and Russia combined.

Doping Race Horses.

Turf authorities in Europe and America are giving careful study to the need of more rigorous measures to prevent the use of drugs and stimulants for increasing the speed of horses. There never were in any previous time so many wealthy, prominent and honorable owners of race horses, but the amazing expansion of the sport has attracted flocks of vulgarities who are trying to plunder high-minded turfmen. These birds of prey should have their wings clipped.

Tears for All.

It is a tribute to the sympathetic nature of Americans that at a large missionary meeting held in St. Louis tears were shed over the woes of China. That such profound grief can affect those who live in a Christian land, and withal a land of plenty and happiness, shows that our national trait of compassion is world-wide, and could we but know the sorrows and suffering of the inhabitants of Mars and the other planets we should seek relief for our feelings in rivers of tears.

The West Interested.

A sentimental as well as a practical interest is felt by the west in the proposition which New York's legislature has just submitted to a vote of the people of that state for the enlargement of the Erie canal. The idea is to broaden and deepen it so that barges of 1,000 tons burden may be able to go through it, the estimated cost being \$101,000,000. This is a vast expenditure to be made on a single public work by a single state, even for one as wealthy as New York.

Inconsistently Enforced.

More than \$1,000,000 was wagered on the election in Chicago, and many of these wagers were publicly posted. One of the reasons why laws against gambling are held in contempt is because no law is more inconsistently enforced. Occasionally the slot machines are the object of a raid, and then a crap game in some secluded alley, but the greater gambling operations are seldom disturbed. The distinction between a hay playing craps and a man betting \$1,000 is hard to comprehend.

Happenings in Missouri.

Five Trees to Every Inhabitant.

The apple crop of Missouri for 1903 will be at ordinary prices, \$20,000,000. If the apple crop yields what is now estimated by officers of the state horticultural society, it will almost double the wheat crop in value. There are 20,000,000 apple trees in the state and a dollar a tree is the estimated yield. Missouri three years ago ranked fifth in apple orchards among the states. Twenty million apple trees—five trees for every man, woman and child in the state are now growing in Missouri, 3,000,000 more than in any other state and twice as many as ten years ago.

Putting Thoughts on Paper.

At the first term of this year's session of the university of Missouri 42 publications have been made in books or magazine forms by the university professors. Most of these contributions contain results of practical value obtained by individual experiment and research. They include discussions of plant production, cattle feeding, cattle diseases, dairy husbandry and surveys of Missouri swamp land.

Elected a University Graduate.

For the first time in the history of Columbia, the county seat of Boone, a republican has been elected to office. F. W. Neidermeyer, a prominent republican leader in local politics, was elected mayor, defeating Moss P. Parker, the present incumbent, by a vote of 609 to 353. Neidermeyer graduated from the law department of the state university in 1894. He is 33 years old.

The Smallest Was His Undoing.

Thomas Lawrence, a Pettis county farmer, was knocked 20 feet by a train a year ago and escaped injury. Last August he was struck by lightning and recovered. Five months ago he fell 20 feet from a barn loft and was not hurt. Last week he stumbled over a two-month-old pup and in falling broke his neck.

Ex-Missourian Appointed Judge.

Gov. Peabody appointed Robert E. Lewis, judge of the fourth judicial district of Colorado. The district embraces El Paso, Teller, Cheyenne, Lincoln, Douglas, Kit Carson and Elbert counties. He was active in Missouri politics before 1898. In 1896 he was the republican nominee for governor of Missouri.

Came for Speaker Whitecotton.

A handsome gold case was presented to James H. Whitecotton by 27 representative citizens of Washington township, Monroe county, as a "token of endorsement of his fight as speaker of the late house of representatives against corruption and lobby influences."

Traded Positions.

Dr. C. B. Simcoe, superintendent of the state colony for feeble-minded at Marshall, was transferred to the insane asylum at Nevada, where he becomes assistant superintendent and Dr. Thompson, who held the latter position, was transferred to Marshall.

Missouri Official Convicted.

Former Public Administrator Giles A. Laughlin, of Holt county, was found guilty of embezzlement, his punishment being fixed at two years in the penitentiary.

Two Appropriations Cut.

Gov. Dockery cut off \$30,000 of the legislative appropriation for the colony for feeble-minded at Marshall and \$10,000 off the Nevada asylum appropriation.

Want to Erect Monument.

A movement has been started to erect at Palmyra a monument to ten Confederate soldiers executed there in October, 1862, by order of Gen. John McNeill.

Bought Waterworks Plant.

The Lexington waterworks, owned by A. Bludroth, Root & Co. of New York, was sold to Gustav Haerle, of Lexington, for \$35,000.

Mail Carrier Arrested.

Elbert Womack, a mail carrier between Farmington and Winegard, was arrested for stealing registered letters from pouches.

Zinc Mine Sold for \$80,000.

The Anderson zinc mine at Chitwood and a lease on 17 acres was sold to the Arizona-Missouri mining company for \$80,000.

Editor Becomes Preacher.

George T. Clark, formerly editor of the Union Star Herald, has been made pastor of the Methodist church at Elmo.

Gov. Dockery Voted It.

The bill reducing the street car fare from Kansas City to Independence to five cents was vetoed by Gov. Dockery.

Out of Prison Into Prison.

Frank Schultz completed a sentence in Missouri state prison Thursday, but he was once arrested and taken to the Illinois penitentiary at Chester to complete a sentence which he had been paroled on and which parole he violated.

Valuable Live Stock Burned.

The barn of Hamilton Bros., breeders of fine stock near Auxvasse, and 14 head of horses and jacks belonging to them, were consumed by fire. Four of the horses were fine stock.

Fatally Hurt by Dynamite.

Pat Garland, powder man for Jake Hookin's gang of railroad laborers, employed in constructing the Colorado road ten miles east of Cole Camp, had his face shot to pieces by a premature discharge of dynamite.

Addition to Penitentiary.

The state prison inspectors adopted plans and appointed two men to superintend the work of building a \$200,000 addition to the state penitentiary.

Facts From the State University.

The spring meeting of the board of curators of the state university was held at Columbia last week. It was noted that more than 25,000 Missourians have attended the university since its establishment. Most of these are now residents of the state. Branch summer schools will probably be in St. Joseph, Joplin and Houston. In addition, the regular summer school of the university will be held in Columbia. It was reported that Read hall, the new dormitory for girls, is completed, and will be ready for use when furnished. It will be open for occupancy in September. Tuition in the medical department was fixed at \$10 a year. Under the law tuition can only be charged in the law and medical departments, and the fees—\$10 in each case—go to the support of the libraries and laboratories of these departments.

New Dean of Law Department.

Judge J. D. Lawson, who has been installed as dean of the law department of the state university, is a native of Columbia. He removed to St. Louis in 1876. He was editor of the Central Law Journal for four years, director of the St. Louis library association and one of the founders of the Missouri bar association, of which he was vice president for some years. He was a civil judge from 1891 to 1893. In the fall of 1891 he was appointed professor of contracts and international law in the law department of the University of Missouri and in 1893 received the honorary degree of LL. D. from the university.

Sacrifice for Blind Sister.

Ex-Mayor P. D. Hastain, who has been a citizen of Anadarko, Ok., since the organization of that city, has determined to return to Sedalia. His mother died at Sedalia recently, leaving a blind and helpless daughter to the care of her son. Mr. Hastain does not want to take the afflicted woman from her old home, every nook and corner of which is familiar to her, and he sacrifices his law practice in the new country to care for her.

Westport's First Marshal.

Joseph P. Howe, one of the first settlers of Kansas City, is dead, aged 94 years. He located in Kansas City in 1831. He was the first city marshal, the first marshal of Kansas City court of common pleas, the first assessor, the first street commissioner, the first wharf register and the first tax collector of greater Kansas City. At the time of Mr. Howe's arrival Kansas City was known as Westport Landing.

Student Gets Government Position.

A. T. Sweet, of Pike county, a student in the Missouri university, was appointed to a position under the United States department of agriculture. He will spend six months in southwestern Colorado gathering information regarding soils, rainfall and depths of moisture. He will then be transferred to southern California.

Workman Caught Falling Child.

Marie Chitwood, four years of age, daughter of S. J. Chitwood, county treasurer, fell 20 feet from the second story of the Chitwood residence in Carthage and escaped without a scratch. The child alighted on the back of a workman, who was stooping for a drink from a hydrant directly beneath the window.

Child Played About a Bonfire.

While playing about a bonfire at Fulton, 11-year-old Mary Armstrong was so badly burned that she died a few hours afterwards, and her mother narrowly escaped death in her efforts to save the child.

Urges Cockrell for President.

In an interview on men and issues for 1904, Congressman Champ Clark strongly urged Senator F. M. Cockrell for president. Clark says Cockrell can be elected.

Planning New Electric Line.

Plans are being perfected for an electric railroad to run from Columbia through Asland and other small towns to Jefferson City.

Was a Plinianism in 1850.

Robert H. Finch, who is dead at Lawson, located in Ray county in 1848 and made the trip across the plains in 1850.

Gives Up Teaching to Preach.

Rev. Z. M. Williams, for six years president of Central college at Lexington, has resigned. He will enter pastoral work.

Steel Crepe From Doors.

Kansas City has developed a new brand of despicable thieves—those who go about and steal crepe from doors.

Coal James Waddell has Bought.

Steam shovel and other machinery to strip the surface earth off a two-acre tract of land on the Amosden farm near Carthage to get the ore that lies beneath. This is the first attempt to strip for ore in southwest Missouri and it will be watched with interest.

Paul Evans Is Manager.

The trustees of the state fruit experiment station at Mountain Grove elected Paul Evans as director.

Opposed to Popular Games.

The annual Lexington presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, in session at Nevada, passed resolutions condemning the game of football and intercollegiate games of baseball and basketball.

To Develop Fruit Industry.

The Central Oak Fruit company is the name of an organization that recently purchased 3,000 acres in the rich fruit country of Missouri. The company has a capitalization of \$1,000,000.

RESULTS OF ELECTIONS.

How the Elections in Illinois, Missouri and Contiguous States Went Tuesday.

HARRISON RE-ELECTED IN CHICAGO.

Democrats Make a Clean Sweep in St. Louis With the Exception of Five Members of the House of Delegates—Republican Victory in Jefferson City, the State Capital.

Chicago, April 8.—Carter H. Harrison was elected mayor of Chicago Tuesday for the fourth time, his majority by unofficial count over Graeme Stewart, the republican candidate, being 6,070. The total vote was: Harrison, 146,323; Stewart, 139,373; Cruise, independent labor, 9,990; Breckon, socialist, 11,212; Haines, prohibitionist, 2,848. In the last majority election the total vote was Harrison, democrat, 156,756; Hancey, republican, 125,413; Hoyt, prohibition, 3,322; Collins, socialist, 5,384.

The early returns were in favor of Stewart, and at one time he was 2,000 ahead, but the later returns cut down a plurality steadily, and the republican in private conversation admitted Stewart's defeat by about six thousand.

The chief issue in the campaign was the traction question, both candidates favoring ultimate municipal ownership of street railways. Stewart advocated an immediate improvement of conditions, making the best terms possible with the companies.

In addition to the mayor the democrats elected all other officers on the city ticket, the city treasurer, city clerk and city attorney, by strong pluralities. The new city council will be 33 republicans, 33 democrats and one independent democrat.

Mayor Harrison, in an interview on the result, said: "I consider it a victory for ultimate municipal ownership and for the referendum. It means that the settlement of the traction question must be made in the interests of the people of Chicago. It was the hardest battle I ever had, and I am proud to have won it."

REPUBLICANS LOSE SPRINGFIELD.

Contest in the Illinois Capital Results in a Sweeping Democratic Victory.

Springfield, Ill., April 8.—An election contest that fairly jarred Springfield from its foundations Tuesday resulted in the sweeping victory of Harry Deveraux (democrat) for mayor, over his republican opponent, W. J. Butler, thus wresting control of the capital city from the republicans, who have been in power here for six years.

Results in Other Illinois Cities.

Rock Island—Six of the republican candidates for aldermen were elected; no change in the local political situation. Quincy—The entire democratic ticket re-elected by majorities ranging from 1,000 down. Galesburg—The citizens' organization elected mayor, treasurer, assessor and one alderman; the liberals elected clerk, attorney, three supervisors and six aldermen.

Peoria—The entire republican township ticket was elected by majorities ranging from 600 to 1,000.

IN MISSOURI.

Democrats Make Almost a Clean Sweep in St. Louis.

St. Louis, April 8.—The democrats have made another clean sweep in St. Louis. The democratic city council ticket was elected by a safe majority, Tuesday, as were the members of the school board and the inspector of weights and measures. A large majority of the members of the house of delegates candidates on the democratic ticket also go in.

Conservative estimates place the democratic majority at about 19,000. About 65,000 votes were cast. Thirteen of the men elected can be counted upon to stand by the administration of Mayor Wells and not enter into any combinations. The republicans elected only five nominees for the house of delegates—Witholt in the Second, Hammerstein in the Twelfth, Weeks in the Seventeenth, Birge in the Twenty-seventh and Luckland in the Twenty-eighth. William A. Block, independent nominee in the Eighteenth ward, was elected over his republican and democratic opponents.

Horatio N. Davis led the council ticket with 42,000 votes. Dr. Heine Marks was a close second, with 41,977 votes. Isaac W. Morton received the least number of votes—41,363—his name being scratched by many of the labor unions.

Frank Wyman led the republican council ticket, with 23,825 votes.

DEMOCRATS LOSE JEFFERSON CITY.

Election at the Missouri Capital a Pronounced Republican Victory.

Jefferson City, Mo., April 8.—The municipal and school elections, Tuesday, resulted in a pronounced victory for the republicans. The successful candidates on the city ticket proper were all republicans. At the general election in November the republicans were completely wiped out in town and county, all their strongholds going democratic.

WISCONSIN JUDICIAL ELECTION.

Amendment Increasing Number of Supreme Judges Appears Adopted. Milwaukee, April 8.—The judicial elections in Wisconsin passed off very quietly. Judge Robert G. Siebecker, of Madison, judge of the Ninth circuit, was elected to the place on the Wisconsin bench made vacant by the recent death of C. V. Bardeen. The proposed amendment to the constitution increasing the number of justices of the supreme court from five to seven undoubtedly carried. Oak-koch re-elected Mayor Muir (democrat). Fox Lake, Waukegan and Menasha went for republicans. The democrats carried Kenosha, Menasha, Appleton, Berlin, Portage and Beaver Dam.

CONGRESSMAN WILBER SAYS

[To The Peru-na Medicine Co., of Columbus, O.]

"Peru-na Is All You Claim For It."

At West Superior republicans carried a majority of the ward officers. The entire citizens' ticket, headed by Wilber, for mayor, was elected by 648 plurality in Janesville, making a complete change of city officers.

Racine elected the entire republican ticket, Nelson, for mayor, leading with 904 majority.

Organized labor swept Beloit in the election of aldermen.

The entire democratic ticket is undoubtedly elected in La Crosse, Torrance, for mayor, elected by a large majority.

REPUBLICANS HOLD LINCOLN.

Party Lines Drawn in Nearly Every Town in Nebraska.

Omaha, Neb., April 8.—Municipal elections were held in cities and towns in Nebraska Tuesday, with the exception of Omaha and South Omaha. Party lines were drawn in most instances. At Fremont the republicans elected the entire ticket with the exception of two officials, and Blair elected a majority of the democratic candidates. The republicans in Lincoln elected George A. Adams for mayor, their entire city ticket and six or seven councilmen, a fusion gain of one councilman.

REPUBLICAN GAINS IN KANSAS.

D. R. Anthony, Jr., Overturns Democratic Majority at Leavenworth.

Kansas City, Mo., April 8.—Elections were held in the large cities of Kansas Tuesday, and the result, as a whole, shows large republican gains. Mayors were elected as follows: Kansas City, Kas.—Thomas B. Gilbert, republican.

Topeka—W. S. Bergundithal, republican.

Wichita—B. F. McLean, republican.

Leavenworth—D. R. Anthony, Jr., republican, overturning a democratic majority.

Lawrence—A. R. Selig, republican.

Pittsburg—Clarence N. Price, republican.

Hutchinson—J. P. Harsha.

Emporia—John E. Martin, democrat.

Atchison—James N. Orr, non-partisan.

VOTES CAST IN MINNESOTA.

Contest at Mankato Results in a Sweeping Democratic Victory.

St. Paul, Minn., April 8.—Elections were held in villages and cities of the third class throughout Minnesota Tuesday. The mayors elected were as follows: Willmar—B. Quale.

Wabasha—Dr. J. F. Milligan.

Lescuer—J. H. Termatch.

Marshall—M. E. Matthews.

Fergus Falls—E. J. Webber.

The election at Mankato was an exception to the rule that prevailed in the other cities. The contest there was keen, and resulted in a sweeping democratic victory. Charles T. Taylor was elected mayor, defeating A. G. Meyer (republican) by 66 votes.

FARMERS FOUGHT A DUEL.

James Leach Shot and Killed on the Streets of Fayette, Mo., By Norman Smallwood.

Fayette, Mo., April 8.—James Leach and Norman Smallwood, farmers of this county, fought a pistol duel on the streets here Tuesday. Leach was killed. Smallwood was not hit. The wives and other members of their families witnessed the tragedy. Smallwood was arrested and locked in jail.

Leach secured a divorce from his wife in the circuit court early in the day, the decree being granted just before the shooting. Mrs. Leach was Smallwood's daughter.

The two men met in front of the courthouse immediately after the decision of the court, and after a few words, both began firing. Leach was struck five times. He fell, but arose and ran half a square, waving his pistol. He again fell, and died in a few minutes.

A SON OF THE HOUSE NOW.

Emperor William Sends a Characteristic Telegram to King Christian on Leaving Denmark.

Copenhagen, April 8.—On the departure of Emperor William from Copenhagen for Kiel, where he arrived Monday, he sent a characteristic telegram to King Christian, as follows: "My heart prompts me to once again express my warmest thanks for the never-to-be-forgotten happy days I have been permitted to spend with you in the circle of all your dear ones. From the day of the splendid reception which you and the inhabitants of your beautiful capital prepared for me until the last moment, when I had to bid you farewell, my visit afforded me unalloyed pleasure. Accept my special thanks for having received me in your family circle, and rest assured I shall forever regard myself as a son of the house. I pray to God that He will make your approaching birthday a day of joy both to you and your house and your people, and that He may long preserve you in unimpaired health."

A GOOD MOVE IN NEW JERSEY.

Plays that Glorify Crime and Criminals Will Be Barred From Jersey City, N. J.

Jersey City, N. J., April 8.—Prosecutor Speer, in reply to a request from Chief of Police Murphy for an official opinion as to the latter's power to stop theatrical performances tending to glorify criminals, says: "If the performance is designed, and has a clear tendency to elevate vice and degrade virtue and to furnish a glittering and attractive enticement to youth to enter upon a career of vice and crime, it is corruptive of public morals and indolent as a public nuisance. Plays which shock the public sense of decency and incite to crime are indelicate at common law and under New Jersey statutes."

Plays founded upon the Bible Brothers' case and the exploits of the Oregon outlaw, Tracy, were the cause of the chief's action. He says that after this week theatrical managers who present such plays will be prosecuted.



Congressman D. F. Wilber, of Oneonta, N. Y., writes:

"The Peru-na Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio: Gentlemen—Peru-na is a friend I have tried your remedy and I have almost fully recovered after the use of a few bottles. I am fully convinced that Peru-na is all you claim for it, and I cheerfully recommend your medicine to all who are afflicted with catarrhal trouble."—David F. Wilber.

Peru-na Prevents and Cures Colds.

Mr. C. F. Given, Sussex, N. B., Vice President of "The Pastime Boating Club," writes:

"Whenever the cold weather sets in I have for years past been very sure to catch a severe cold which was hard to throw off, and which would leave after-effects on my constitution the most of the winter."

Last winter I was advised to try Peru-na, and within five days the cold was broken up and in five days more I was a well man. I recommended it to several of my friends and all speak the highest praise for it. There is nothing like Peru-na for catarrhal affections. It is well nigh infallible as a cure, and I gladly endorse it."—C. F. Given.

A Prominent Singer Saved From Loss of Voice.

Mr. Julian Weissitz, 175 Seneca street, Buffalo, N. Y., is corresponding secretary of The Sangerlist, of New York; is the leading second bass of the Sangerlist, the largest German singing society of New York and also the oldest.

The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio.

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